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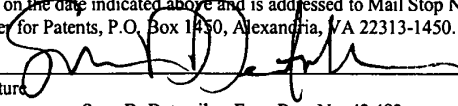
In re Application of : V. M. BENVENISTE
Serial Number : 09/966,604
Filed : September 27, 2001
For : A PROBE ASSEMBLY FOR DETECTING AN ION IN A
PLASMA GENERATED IN AN ION SOURCE

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In response to the official office action mailed October 21, 2003, entry of the below amendments, consideration of the remarks provided, and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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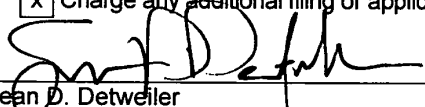
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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